phase of the exercise. Hence, in order to disseminate information to the public at large, the need for printing time table twice was felt. Accordingly, a second time table incorporating all changes, was released in December, 2006. It is only for this year that time tables are being printed twice.

Pending rail projects in North Eastern Region

560. SHRI T.R. ZELIANG: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals for construction of new railway lines, conversion of existing narrow gauge lines and doubling of existing railway lines in NER particularly in the State of Nagaland are pending with the Central Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Requests have been received from State Government of Nagaland for new lines from Dimapur to Kohima *via* Niuland & Dimapur to Tizit.

(c) Work of new line from Dimapur to Zubza (Kohima) has been included in the Supplementary Budget 2006-07. The suggested alignment of line *via* Niuland is not considered feasible due to steep gradient involved. No survey has been done for Dimapur-Tizit new line.

Electrification of Rail Line in North Frontier Railway

561. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the logistic reason as to why the Railway department has not electrified any portion of railway line under North Frontier Railway;